Mr. W. J. Taylor, Assistant Manager Systems Acquisition U.S. Department of Energy Office of River Protection Post Office Box 405 Richland, Washington 99352-0450

Dear Mr. Taylor:

CONTRACT NUMBER DE-AC27-99RL14047; RESPONSE TO DOE GUIDANCE REGARDING PARTIAL APPROVAL OF AUTHORIZATION BASIS AMENDMENT REQUEST ABAR-W375-00-00049

References:

- 1. Letter, W. J. Taylor, ORP, to M. P. DeLozier, CHG, "Contract No. DE-AC06-99RL14047 "Office of Safety Regulation (OSR) Partial Approval of Authorization Basis Change Notice ABCN-W375-00-00049", 01-OSR-0028, dated February 13, 2001
- 2. Letter, J. O. Honeyman, CHG, to W. J. Taylor, ORP, "Submission of the Revised Radiation Protection Program and Request for Closure of Authorization Basis Amendment Request ABAR-W375-00-00011 Through Submission of Authorization Basis Change Notice ABCN-W375-00-00049", CCN#16596C, dated November 28, 2000

By letter dated February 13, 2001 (Reference 1) the Office of Safety Regulation (OSR) approved changes to the Safety Requirements Document (SRD) and the Integrated Safety Management Plan (ISMP) as initially proposed in ABAR-W375-00-00011 and resubmittal in Reference 2.

Reference 1 requested that CH2M HILL Hanford Group, Inc., (CHG) submit the revised pages of the SRD and ISMP within 14 days of receipt of the letter. As you know, Bechtel-Washington, Inc., (B-W) is currently undergoing an inspection to confirm readiness to assume responsibility for the River Protection Project – Waste Treatment Plant (RPP-WTP) Authorization Basis (AB) maintenance and has submitted for DOE approval the revision of all AB documents to reflect this responsibility. CHG therefore proposes that the revised pages be submitted by B-W after DOE approval of the revised AB documents and authorization for BNI to safely initiate changes

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to the RPP-WTP AB. This course of action will reduce potential for error in maintenance of the Authorization Basis.

If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact Mr. Ralph Lipfert on (509) 371-4878.

Very truly yours,

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